Allocation of power to Rajasthan from Central Projects

†*431. DR. PRABHA THAKUR:
SHRI SANTOSH BAGRODIA:

Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that due to formula made by power projects of Central Government, allocation of power to Rajasthan by Central Power houses has been decreasing continuously;

(b) whether it is also a fact that power projects like NTPC/NHPC of Central Government have asked to reconsider the existing method of power allocation; and

(c) if so, the new targets fixed along with the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) No, Sir. Allocation of power it made to the States/UTs on the basis of Gadgil Formula which is being treated as guidelines since April, 2000 so as to link the allocation to the need and paying capacity.

(b) and (c) No, Sir.

Target for total electrification

*432. SHRI C. PERUMAL: Will the Minister of POWER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is proposed to bring electricity to all throughout the country by 2007;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether any action plan has been formulated for the purpose;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF POWER (SHRI SUSHILKUMAR SHINDE): (a) and (b) With a view to expedite rural electrification programme in the country, Government of India has introduced "Rajiv Gandhi Grameen Vidyutikaran Yojana" (RGGVY) in April, 2005. The scheme covers electrification of all the villages in the country except the villages under the programme of Ministry of Non-conventional Energy Sources (MNES) for providing electricity from non-conventional energy sources under their remove village electrification programme.

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